

E3SMv1 DECK Future Projections under the High-Emission SSP5-8.5 Scenario

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Scientific Objectives

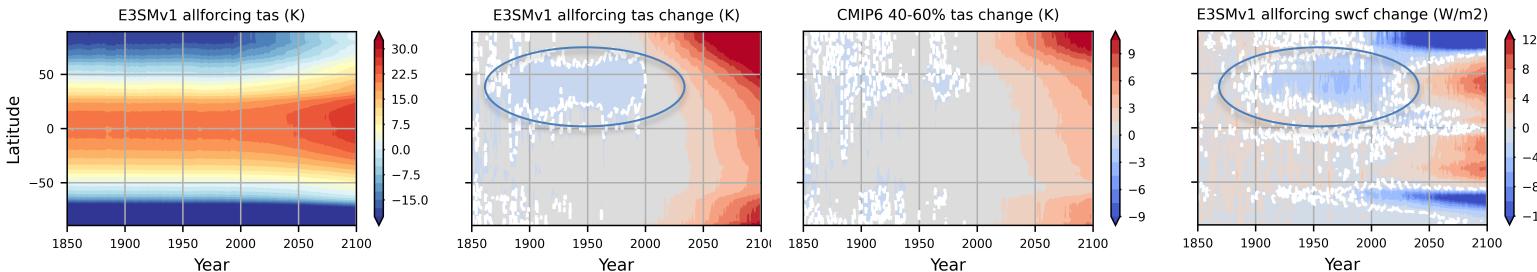
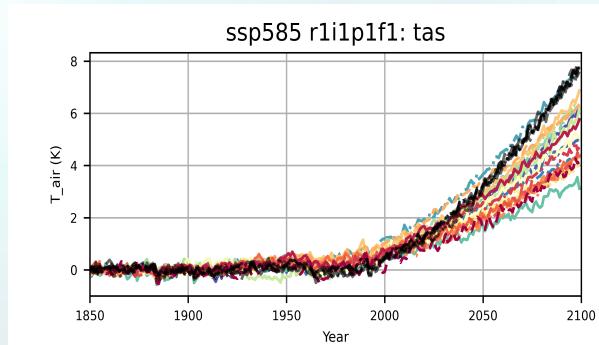
- To document the future climate projected by E3SMv1 under the high-emission scenario.
- To estimate the regional impacts of forcings other than the Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions on the future climate projection in E3SMv1, which has a strong aerosol-related effective radiative forcing and a high equilibrium climate sensitivity.
- Hypotheses:
 - The unmasking of aerosol forcing causes the future warming in E3SMv1 being larger than the warming in models with similar climate sensitivity
 - Forcings other than GHG forcing have larger regional impacts over the land than over the ocean
 - Relative to GHG emissions, the impact of other forcings on water cycle over land are different between the last 40 years and the future in E3SMv1 simulations

Simulations

- E3SMv1 DECK future projection simulations under the High-Emission SSP5-8.5 Scenario (five ensemble members)
- Two sets of DAMIP simulations (each has three ensemble members)
 - **DECKv1b_H1_hist-GHG**: DAMIP well-mixed greenhouse-gas-only historical simulations with 1850 tropospheric and stratospheric ozone.
 - **DECKv1b_P1_SSP5-8.5-GHG**: DAMIP well-mixed greenhouse-gas-only future projection simulations with 1850 tropospheric and stratospheric ozone, aerosols and land-use.

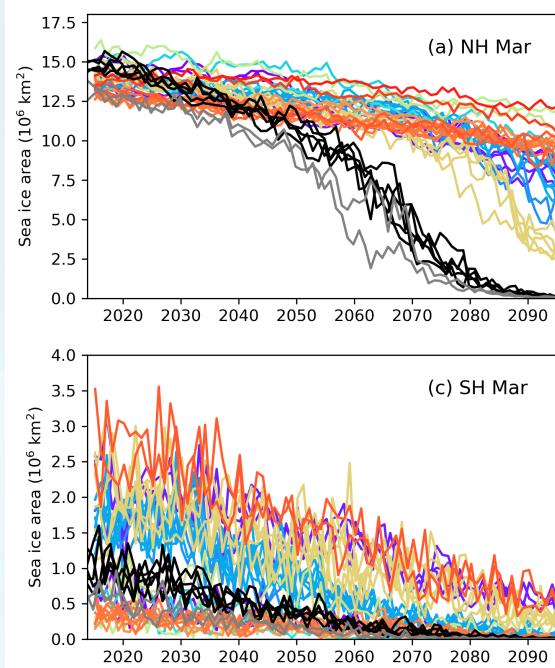
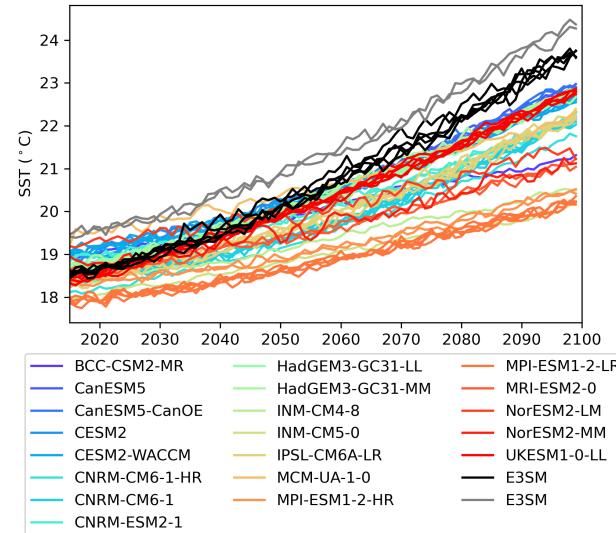
The annual surface air temperature changes

ACCESS-CM2
ACCESS-ESM1-5
BCC-CSM2-MR
CanESM5
CAMS-CSM1-0
CESM2
CESM2-WACCM
EC-Earth3
FGOALS-g3
GFDL-ESM4
GFDL-CM4
INM-CM4-8
INM-CM5-0
IPSL-CM6A-LR
KACE-1-0-G
MIROC6
MPI-ESM1-2-HR
MPI-ESM1-2-LR
MRI-ESM2-0
NESM3
NorESM2-MM
E3SM



Surface air temperature shows a NH cooling in the historical runs and a rapid warming in the future runs

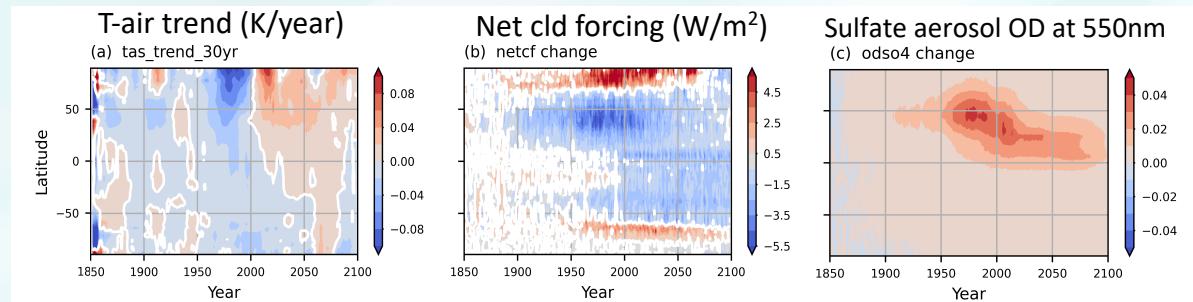
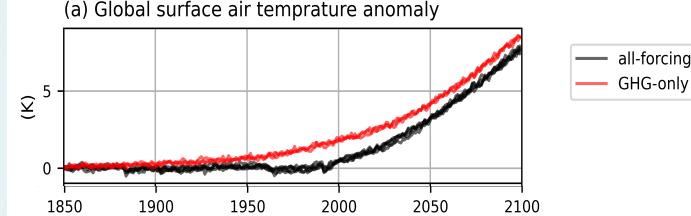
SST and sea ice in the future simulations



ACCESS-CM2	CNRM-CM6-1-HR	INM-CM5-0	MPI-ESM1-2-LR	NorESM2-MM
ACCESS-ESM1-5	CNRM-CM6-1	IPSL-CM6A-LR	MRI-ESM2-0	NorESM2-LM
CESM2	INM-CM4-8	MPI-ESM1-2-HR	NorESM2-MM	E3SM
CESM2-WACCM				

The regional impacts of GHG emissions vs. other forcings in the atmosphere

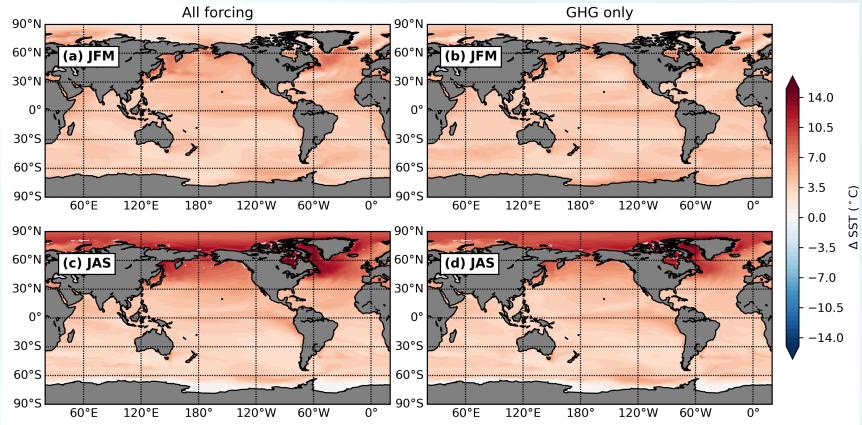
There is a sign that the reduced aerosol forcing causes all-forcing simulations warm more rapidly than GHG-only simulations



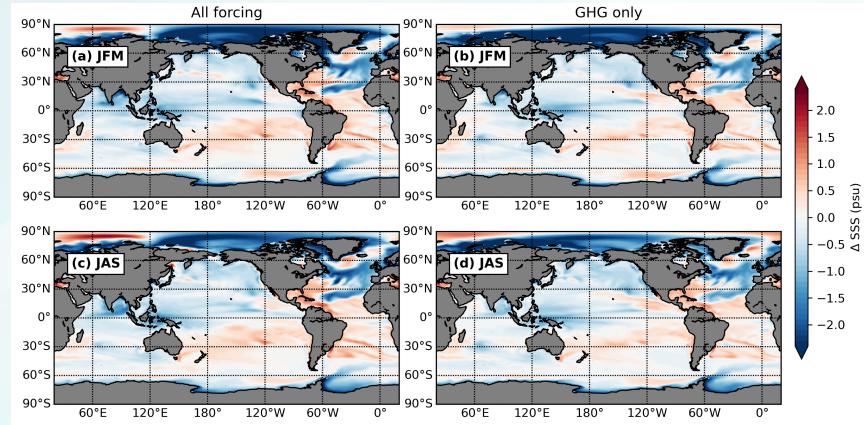
All-forcing simulations vs. GHG-only simulations

The regional impacts of GHG emissions vs. other forcings over the ocean

The patterns of the oceanic climate change in all-forcing simulations and GHG-only simulations are similar



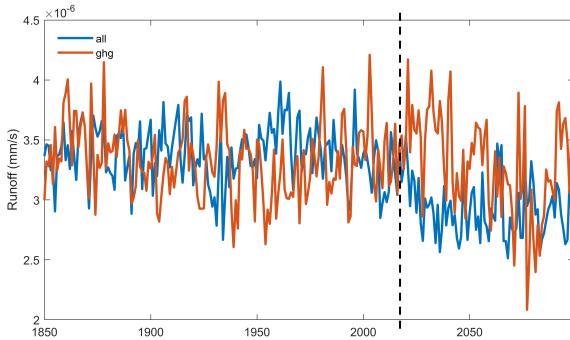
The changes in sea surface temperature (SST) between the time period of 2070 – 2099 and the period of 1985-2014 for Jan-Feb-Mar and Jul-Aug-Sep from E3SMv1 all forcing simulation and GHG-only simulation



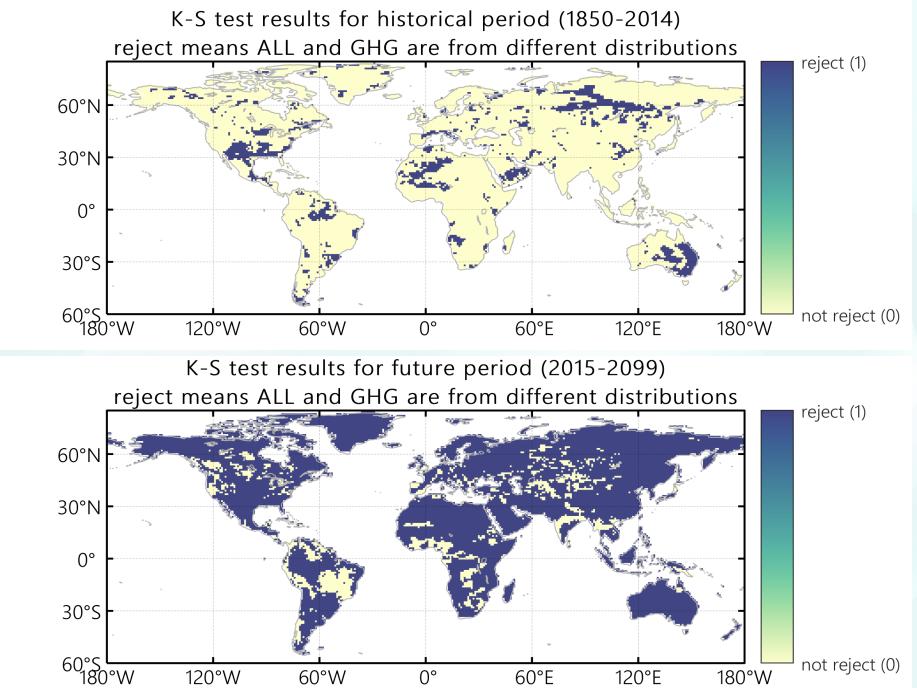
Same as the left figure except for changes in sea surface salinity (SSS)

The regional impacts of GHG emissions vs. other forcings over the land

As for the runoffs, the difference btw all-forcing and GHG-only is notably larger in the future simulations.



An example of the timeseries of the runoff from E3SMv1



Kolmogorov–Smirnov (K-S) tests for the time series of runoff

Summary

- E3SMv1 is one of the strongest warming models among CMIP6 models between 2050-2099 under the High-Emission SSP5-8.5 Scenario.
- The time evolution of the zonal mean near surface air temperature shows that E3SMv1 has a strong cooling at the Northern Hemisphere between 1900 and 2000, which is consistent with the peak aerosol optical depth.
- Changes in SST, SSS, mixed layer depth (no shown here) from all-forcing and GHG-only runs suggest that forcings other than GHG have little impact on the oceanic mean climate.
- Runoff analyses: Basin-based analyses found the time series of runoff from all-forcings are more different from GHG-only in the future simulations than in the historical simulations, indicating forcings other than GHG emissions have increased impacts over the land in the future climate projected by E3SMv1.